

GR 1.1 Title; Effective Date; Scope.

(a) Title. These are the **General** Local Rules of Practice for the District Court of Guam. They may be cited as "GNLR ____" ~~(General Rules), LR (Civil Rules), LAR (Local Admiralty Rules), LHCR (Local Habeas Corpus Rules), LTR (Local Tax Rules), and LBR (Local Bankruptcy Rules).~~

~~**(b) Effective Date; Transitional Provision.** These rules govern all actions and proceedings pending on or commenced after April 15, 1997. Where justice requires, a judge may order that an action or proceeding pending before the Court prior to that date be governed by the prior practice of the Court.~~

(c) Scope of the Rules: Construction. These Rules supplement the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and the **Federal Rules of National Bankruptcy Procedure Rules**. These Rules shall be construed so as to be consistent with the Federal Rules and to promote the just, efficient and economical determination of every action and proceeding. The provisions of the General **Local** Rules shall apply to all actions and proceedings, including civil, tax, criminal, admiralty, **and** bankruptcy **and actions and proceedings before the Magistrate Judge**, except where they may be inconsistent with rules or provisions of law specifically applicable thereto.

(d) Definitions.

(1) The word "Court" refers to the District Court of Guam, and not to any particular judge of the Court.

(2) The word "judge" refers to any United States District Judge or any designated judge exercising jurisdiction with respect to a particular action or proceeding in said court, or to a part-time or full-time United States Magistrate Judge, to whom such action or proceeding has been assigned for purposes relevant to the context in which such reference occurs.

(3) The word "clerk" means the Clerk for the District Court of Guam and deputy clerks, unless the context otherwise requires.

(4) The "Pacific Daily News", and the ~~"Marianas Variety~~**Guam Daily Post**," newspapers of general circulation published in Guam, are designated the official newspapers of the Court. Unless otherwise provided by order, every notice required to be published shall be published in either the "Pacific Daily News" or the ~~"Marianas Variety~~**Guam Daily Post"**.